

COLLIER TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL AUTHORITY

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2018

A regular constituted meeting of the Collier Township Municipal Authority was held on Thursday, September 13, 2018, at the township building and was called to order at 6:35 P.M. by Dan Oberleitner, Chairman.

Roll call listed the following members present:

- Dan Oberleitner, Chairman
- Dan Fotovich, Secretary
- Gerhardt Egri, Treasurer
- Brian Heil, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Excused Absence:

- Richard Ruffennach, Vice-Chairman

Also present:

- Michael Kaleugher, Solicitor
- Jim Nordquist, NIRA
- Patie Asturi
- Lori Thompson

PUBLIC: Denise Zeman, 36 Suburban Avenue; Sewer problem with lines due to basement elevation. Engineer gave Board back story of property issue and suggested checking the manhole elevation to the cleanout elevation to possibly see if there is a resolution. The Engineer gave two suggestions to the property owner and the Solicitor suggested Mrs. Zeman contact the plumber who performed the work. Mrs. Zeman believes it is the Authority's issue to fix and the Chairman told her that the Board would discuss this and get back to her.

On motion of Fotovich , seconded by Egri, the Minutes of August 9, 2018 were approved. Motion carried.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, the Treasurer's Report for August 9, 2018 was approved as submitted. Motion carried.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, additional bills paid in August 2018 totaling \$463,678.41 and bills paid to September 13, 2018 totaling \$55,187.67 were authorized for payment. Motion carried.

On motion of Egri, seconded by Heil, the office staff timesheets from August 9, 2018 through September 12, 2018 were approved. Motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

The Solicitor requested approval from the Board to file Declaration of Taking to secure the Right-of-Way for the Janscar (SR-V-59) property for the Upper Scotts Run Road Phase II Project. On motion of Fotovich, seconded by Egri, motion was approved and accepted. Motion carried.

The Solicitor updated the Board on the status of the Cozza Plan. DEP has changed the rules for Planning Modules and is currently working to modify the Developer's Agreement. DEP made several requests for the Cozza Plan and there maybe an issue with the Planning Module approval in 2019 and if tap ins are not paid by December 31, 2018 they could possibly not be valid. The Solicitor informed that the Consent Order expires December 31, 2018 and not sure if the Authority can issue any further tap ins. The Solicitor suggested updating lien letters for vacant lots to include a disclaimer regarding this so that buyers are aware of the tap in issue. The Chairman asked if there was anyone that we could meet with about this and the Solicitor informed that 3 Rivers is working on something and that we will have to wait and see what DEP does on this and that there have been no meetings on any of this to date.

The Solicitor updated the Board on the COG Grant Offer for the Summer Drive Project. The grant would cover approx. 60-70% of the project costs. The project would require grinder pump installation for each property and this could pose a financial problem for property owners. Engineer explained how the grinder pump system works and the Chairman asked if possible to have a pump station there to lower costs to the residents. The Engineer stated he looked at that and it would be too costly and not feasible. The Chairman asked the Engineer how much time there was before a decision needed to be made and the Engineer stated he was not sure maybe a couple months. The Engineer also informed that the project is not ready to proceed as there are other things that need to be done first. The Chairman asked the Engineer to look at the area again to see if something different can be done and the Engineer stated that he would do so.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD) Administrative Consent Order (no change in status)
The Phase 1 Interim Consent Order expired on June 1, 2018. It is anticipated that the next round of consent orders will be distributed by the end of 2018. In the interim period, DEP has determined that municipalities will not be permitted to self-regulate taps which have not yet been applied for, regardless of whether planning approval has been granted. DEP has indicated they are willing to issue tap awards to municipalities that submit to DEP, for its review and approval, a request for taps anticipated to be needed from June 2 through December 31, 2018. The request must be submitted as part of an interim Corrective Action Plan (CAP). NIRA prepared and submitted the CAP on May 18, 2018. Approval of the CAP was received from DEP on May 24, 2018.

DEP has now indicated, by letter of denial to Collier Township, that Sewage Facilities Planning Module (SFPM) applications must be accompanied by a schedule for connections for all EDUs included in all applications. Further discuss options and impacts to SFPM applicants and CTMA.

ALCOSAN has reviewed the documentation that was compiled and submitted to them for consideration of including the Robinson Run Interceptor as part of the regionalization program. ALCOSAN wishes to see more recent televised documentation of the sewer than that which was provided, and has asked that CTMA submit in writing their interest in having CCTV of the Robinson Run Interceptor included in one of their upcoming inspection contracts. As instructed by the CTMA at the May Board meeting, clarification on cost responsibility was requested from and provided by AECOM. The additional televising work by ALCOSAN's contractor for the Robinson Run Interceptor would be performed at CTMA's expense. CTMA will be provided with these costs for their consideration when available prior to any commitment being made.

Grease and Oil Separation and Removal Program

The annual notices to food service establishments were mailed Certified on May 21, 2018. A follow-up second notice was mailed on July 24, 2018 to the 12 establishments that had not responded to the original 30-day notice. To date, 3 out of 12 establishments have not responded to the second notices and have failed to comply with the request to submit grease hauling records. Follow-up inspections as described in the follow-up notice will be conducted as soon as possible.

The Engineer gave an update that the inspections were performed and that Rumfish Grille had a lot of grease found and seems like they are not properly maintaining the grease trap. Engineer stated that NIRA will submit an invoice of the inspection costs to forward to the food service establishment for payment.

CDBG Grant Applications

Pre-applications for both the Noblestown Road Sanitary Sewer Extension and the Summer Drive Low Pressure Sewer System were submitted to the Char-West COG by the September 8, 2017 deadline. Full applications are due November 15, 2017. A decision on the applications is anticipated in late January or early February 2018. Full applications were submitted to the Char-West COG on October 23, 2017.

NIRA was informed by the Char-West COG on August 16, 2018, that the County will be funding \$123,500.00 toward the Summer Drive Low Pressure Sewer System Project, and requested an update on the estimated cost. NIRA provided a revised total construction cost estimate to the Char-West COG on August 20, 2018 which resulted in the approval of an additional \$18,850.00 in funding.

GEDF Grant Application (no change in status)

Applications for the 2018 Gaming Economic Development Fund Grants are due by the end of April. The Char-West COG will assist with the submission of this application.

NIRA submitted the GEDF Grant Application for the Hilltop Road Sanitary Sewer Extension to the Char-West Council of Governments (CWCOG) on March 20, 2018. The CWCOG reviewed the application package and forwarded the application to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County on March 26, 2018.

Steen Road Sewer Pipe Bursting & N. Gray Street Sewer Replacement

A. Merante Contracting, Inc. mobilized to the Steen Road pipe bursting site on June 6, 2018 and completed the majority of work at this site on June 16, 2018. The contractor then mobilized to the North Gray Avenue site on July 9, 2018 with the majority of work at this site being complete as of July 10, 2018. Final pavement restoration was completed on Monday, August 6, 2018.

A. Merante Contracting, Inc. has submitted Partial Payment Application No. 3 (Final) in the amount of \$12,856.75. NIRA approves and recommends payment to A. Merante Contracting, Inc. for Partial Payment No. 3 (Final) upon receipt of their Statement of Surety. (motion covered under New Business Item A)

Upper Scotts Run Sanitary Sewer Extension – Phase 2

Shop Drawings are under review, and a Pre-Construction Meeting has been scheduled for Friday September 21, 2018. Mobilization is anticipated in the first or second week of October.

PA Small Water and Sewer Program (no change in status)

The PA Small Water and Sewer Program Grant applications are due by February 28, 2017.

The Application was submitted to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development on February 20, 2018.

Collier Township Sewers

State Pipe Services, Inc. has completed the Cleaning and Televising of the Sanitary Sewers. We await receipt of the video documentation, and will prepare a list of recommendations for maintenance and repairs for Board consideration.

Lift Stations

On August 9, 2018 the wet wells at all three (3) pump stations had the annual cleanouts performed by CWM Environmental at a cost to the Authority of \$3,960.00. On a site visit to the Centennial Pointe Pump Station on August 30, 2018, grease conditions in the wet well have already deteriorated to an unacceptable condition. NIRA recommends notices advising of grease regulations be sent to the residents within the Centennial Pointe development.

Miscellaneous

PennDOT Truck Wash Station

PennDOT has issued a contract to construct a truck washing station at their maintenance yard on Washington Pike. The new facility proposes to use 2,080 gallons per day of water to be discharged to the Washington Pike North collection system.

A connection escrow agreement that was sent to them in April has been returned as edited by PennDOT for Authority approval. The Connection Agreement as returned is not applicable to the project and is, therefore, not executable in its present form. The Sewage Facilities Planning Module process has yet to begin.

Gregg Station Residential Development (Cozza)

The proposed Gregg Station Residential Development is a 70-Lot single family residential subdivision and proposes the use of 28,000 gallons per day or seventy (70) EDUs. The proposed connection for the sanitary sewer internal collection system is an existing manhole on the Robinson Run Interceptor.

A Developer Agreement between the Developer and CTMA has been executed for this project. The Township is in the process of providing the other special documents that DEP is requiring for Planning Module approval.

Sheetz Collier (no change in status)

The proposed Sheetz development is located at the corner of Washington Pike and Steen Road in Kirwin Heights. The new store will replace three (3) former residential units and proposes the use of 4 additional EDUs. The proposed connection for the new store is the existing Washington Pike North collection system.

Settlers Pointe – Phase 2 (Stambrosky Homes) (no change in status)

A set of Preliminary Plans for the Settlers Pointe – Phase 2 development were received on February 20, 2018. The Sanitary Sewer Plans were reviewed by NIRA and a review letter issued to the Developer's Engineer on February 23, 2018.

Revised plans were received by NIRA on March 27, 2018. These plans were approved for construction on April 2, 2018.

NIRA has been informed by the developer that construction of this phase of the development is anticipated to begin in the next couple weeks.

New Residential Development

A sewer service availability letter request was received from an engineer representing the owner of a proposed 19-lot subdivision north of Baldwin Road across from Bryna Lane. NIRA prepared and provided the availability letter. Conditional language was included in the letter due to the recent conditions that DEP has placed on Sewage Facilities Planning Module approvals.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS:

- A. Dollar Bank has begun the process of reorganizing from a mutual savings bank to a mutual holding company. Dollar Bank would like CTMA to vote yes before October 4, 2018.

The Board informed staff to vote 'yes' to the ballot and mail it in.

- B. Review Escrow Accounts discuss any questions.
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OLD BUSINESS: NONE

PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Motion to accept and approve Partial Payment Application No. 3 to A. Merante Contracting, Inc. in the amount of \$12,856.75 upon receipt of the Statement of Surety. On motion of Egri, seconded by Fotovich, motion was accepted and approved. Motion carried.
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There being no further business to discuss, on motion of Fotovich, seconded by Heil, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Patie Asturi
Recording Secretary